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October 15, 1980

Harry Early, Governor
Pueblo of Laguna
P. O. Box 194
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Dear Governor Early:

Per your request we reviewed the Reclamation Plan, Jackpile-Paguate Uranium Mine, September 1980. Attached please find a list of detailed comments compiled by the CERT staff.

The subject plan is replete with generalities and assumptions not supported by adequate data and analysis. Some of the more salient portions of the plan contained no specific sequenced activities and received cursory treatment. This is disappointing since your letter of June 9, specifically stipulated requirements be addressed.

In view of the inadequacies of this plan and a prior one (Dames and Moore, 1979), Anaconda's sincere commitment to reclamation has to be questioned.

We consider this plan incomplete and inadequate. Our comments may serve as constructive input to revise the plan. However, direction of future initiatives should be designed to provide Laguna with assurances that a viable reclamation is possible.

I hope our October 16, 1980, meeting will provide discussion of alternatives or elements essential to completing a technically justifiable reclamation program.

Sincerely,

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Office of Environmental Analysis

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Attachment

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